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WILSON ON THE "MUD"

The name of the area reclaimed by the filling in of old Baptising Cove is known locally as "the mud," this being the name given the forty acres by the boys of the neighborhood, who turned the ground into a baseball field as soon as it was reclaimed. Many persons in the southeastern section of the city still call it by that name, although the area has during the past few months been metamorphosed into a vigorous manufacturing center.

When the automobile bearing President Wilson shot out on "the mud" yesterday afternoon in the presence of the large assemblage of people representing Alexandria, Washington officialdom and nearly every state in the Union, numbers of old Alexandrians born and reared in that locality laughed into soliloquies when they attempted to realize the changes of the last few months.

Who would have dreamed a decade ago that the slimy cove, mostly covered by waupkins was destined to become terra firma upon which the President of the United States, Senators and Congressmen would meet to participate in ceremonies incident to laying the keel of a steel, ocean-going steamship? Such is another illustration of the unexpected. President and Mrs. Wilson were there smiling and returning the salutes of the thousands who had assembled.

During the early part of the day it was not known positively that the President would be able to attend the exercises, although the officials of the shipbuilding plant were ready in case he should strain a point and be with Alexandria on the most important occasion in the city's history. As there was a probability of Mr. Wilson utilizing the "Mayflower" in case he found it possible to come to Alexandria, a landing stage, backed with the national colors, had been erected on the plant extending beyond the channel bank for his convenience. He, however, came in his automobile, accompanied by motorcycleists and secret service men in machines, who kept close to that occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. Their course was down Fairfax to Wilkes street, thence to Lee leading to the plant. The return trip was made over the same ground.

An account of the scenes at the plant appears elsewhere in The Gazette. Hundreds of automobiles were used in transporting visitors to and from the scene, while people swarmed to the southeastern section between 3 and 4 o'clock, most of whom could not get in to the plant. More people appeared in the locality yesterday than at any other time in the city's history. Lee and Fairfax streets were densely thronged for several hours, while the honk of automobiles passing and repassing each other was continuous.

A powerful siren whistle has been placed at the plant, and yesterday when the Presidential party made their appearance it emitted loud blasts as the assemblage cheered. Later the people stood with bared heads while the band in attendance discoursed the "Star-Spangled Banner."

It was truly Alexandria's fete day of which every one interested in the city is justly proud.

GRAND JURY MAKES TOUR

The grand jury of the Corporation Court, which has been engaged this week in taking evidence in regard to the sanitary condition of the city, made a personal inspection this morning, and after visiting different localities adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The work in which they have been engaged is imperative at this time, as we have already had a sample of torrid weather, but the temperature will be still higher after the summer solstice, when typhoid and malarial fever will be in season. A few years ago at least fifty cases of the first-named malady were reported in this city during the summer, some of which proved fatal.

Many places in Alexandria always

need attention, but more so now, when an increased population is locating here. In many cases, it is necessary to rent houses in localities where nuisances are chronic and where sewer connections have been neglected.

Poisonous weeds flourish every year in certain neighborhoods, filling the air with dangerous effluvia. They are allowed to wax and wane and scatter seeds for next year's crop.

The grand jury has had their special attention directed to the square bounded by Lee, Union, Wilkes and Gibbon streets, which is the dumping ground of that section of the city. Conditions have been unsightly on this square for a third of a century, but it is decidedly unsanitary at present, and being but one square from the plant of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation, measures should be taken at once to clean up the place. The northern half of this square is the property of the Southern Railway Company. The capstone of the wall at the east end of the tunnel is on the southern building line of Wilkes street, which obliterates the sidewalk from Lee to Union streets. All sorts of rubbish and refuse is cast upon this ground by people living nearby, until the exhalations are repugnant to passersby.

These nuisances, while not placed upon the ground by the railway company, are permitted to exist there, and if the company has no use for the hill—and they have owned it since 1873, only utilizing a few feet for a spur track of their road—it should be fenced in and not allowed to be the dumping ground for people living far and near.

"NO IRISH NEED APPLY."

At least three score years ago, when thousands of immigrants from the Emerald Isle landed in New York they immediately sought employment. At that time the New York Herald contained pages of small advertisements, some of which were headed "Help Wanted," but the last sentence of most of such advertisements bore the words, "No Irish need apply," which sent cold chills down the backs of the good people who had come to America to seek their fortunes. A well-known song at that time bore the words at the head of this article. It was generally rendered by a young woman in concert halls who represented an Irish peasant, and gave the experience of the honest immigrant who was in sore need of immediate employment.

The above was brought to our mind several weeks ago when children seemed to be a bar to many who have come to our city recently and who were seeking abodes among us. "No children" were the significant words of some advertisements of apartments to let.

At that time we called attention to scenes nineteen hundred years ago at an inn in the city of David, when the infant destined to be King of Kings and Lord of Lords was nestling upon His mother's bosom.

"There was no room for them in the inn" were the saddening words which confronted Mary and Joseph.

What are we to do with our children? is a pertinent query at this time. The little ones are the natural ties between parents, and we are told that their angels do always behold the face of our Father in heaven. More solemn words in this connection are also used—"Unless ye shall become converted (turned) and become as a little child ye shall in no wise enter the kingdom of heaven."

"No Children Allowed" signs must be removed by Seattle, Wash., landlords from their properties, according to J. W. Spangler, vice president of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce. He has issued an appeal to rooming house proprietors, hotel men and owners of rental properties, declaring that owing to the scarcity of quarters for shipyard workers and others engaged in war work the situation in Seattle is becoming alarming.

It would be well if similar action were taken in other places.

ALMOST CAPTURED

French Premier Leaves Point on Front

Just Before Uhlans Arrive.

Paris, May 31.—Premier Clemenceau had the narrowest possible escape from falling into German hands Wednesday, according to the Petit Journal. He left a certain point on the front only a few minutes before the arrival of a patrol of forty Uhlans.

When the Germans entered the little town the premier had just quit their cornered a few of the French who had remained, including a general who was examining positions with a field glass, the newspaper adds. The general was killed in the encounter.

The premier again left Paris yesterday morning for the front.

PRESIDENT WILSON BECOMES SHIP BUILDER IN ALEXANDRIA YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

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Park and Major Lannigan, of Camp Humphreys. Mayor Fisher, members of the City Council and other city officials of Alexandria were also in attendance.

World's Record in Construction.

That a world's record has been won by the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation in constructing its shipyards here is conceded. Yesterday was the eighty-fifth actual working day put in since the work began of constructing the plant, which is to be a permanent one, and the fourth concrete and steel shipyard to be built in the world, so far as is known. Fifteen hundred workmen are at present employed and within the next few months when the work is under full sway the officials yesterday stated that they would have at least seven thousand employees on their payroll. This will mean an annual disbursement of wages aggregating between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

The concrete ways and other cement work was put in by the Raymond Concrete Company of New York, and the contract for the erection of the buildings, many of which are of brick, was let to the Ley Company, of Springfield, Mass. No other shipyard is known to have been built in less than four months at the shortest. Three months ago the site on which the Alexandria yard now is located was practically swamp land which was originally given by grant by James II of England to the "Associated Adventurers of the City of London." The land has never been used for any purpose until now. The officials of the shipbuilding company state that 78 per cent of the concrete work necessary for the buildings and shipways to rest on is under ground because of the necessity of sinking so many piles to insure a permanent foundation. The entire work connected with the huge enterprise has been done under the personal supervision of Mr. B. W. Morse, eldest son of Mr. C. W. Morse, who is the vice president of the Virginia company.

President Wilson expressed himself as being highly pleased with the splendid progress which had been made in constructing the plant and with the permanent character of the buildings. Men in a position to know whereof they speak do not hesitate to pronounce the yard as the best built and equipped of any in the United States.

To Launch the Gunston Hall in October.

The Gunston Hall is to be completed and delivered to the government by October 1st. It measures 402 feet in length and is of 9,400 tons capacity. Another ship is to be started in June it is expected and all twelve of the present number of ships contracted for are to be finished by February 15, 1919.

Praise for Representative Carlin.

Assistant Treasurer R. W. Much and several of the other officials of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation were loud in their praise of the part Representative Carlin has taken in having the yards located in Alexandria. They are very frank to say that it has been almost entirely due to the efforts he put forth that the mammoth enterprise is here and that it will undoubtedly mean the doubling up of Alexandria's population, owing to the further fact that the yards are to be permanent and that the United States will be engaged in the building of ships for years to come.

A singular fact in connection with the name chosen by Mrs. Wilson for the new ship, that of Gunston Hall, the home of George Mason, is, that within a short distance of where the vessel will be launched into the water when she goes to help in the fight against the Huns, stands a marker placed to mark the line surveyed by him in running the lines of the District of Columbia many years ago.

Austro-German Treaty.

London, May 31.—Details of the proposed treaty between Germany and Austria-Hungary are made public in a dispatch from Milan.

It provides, among other things, that all able-bodied men must receive military instruction; that the two allies promise to use completely the forces of their people for military ends; that armament must be unified so that in future wars the Teuton allies can use the nearest depots; exchange of officers must be so arranged that at any time a German officer may command an Austrian attachment and vice versa all war preparation must be made in common by the general staffs; the railway systems must be unified according to experience gained in this war.

Free of Charge.

Why suffer with indigestion, dyspepsia, torpid liver, constipation, sour stomach, coming-up-of-food-after-eating, etc., when you can get a sample bottle of Green's August Flower free at Leadbeater's Drug Corporation. This medicine has remarkable curative properties and has demonstrated its efficiency by fifty years of success. Headaches are often caused by a disordered stomach.

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WANTED—Furnished or unfurnished country, suburban and city houses for high class tenants; long or short terms. M. L. Horner, 612 King street. 111-tf

FOR SALE—House at 1303½ Prince street, Alexandria. Apply at 720 11th street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 130-3t

FOR SALE—Franklin five-passenger automobile; will sell cheap; call at the Herfurth Engine Co., Inc., foot of Duke street. 130-2t
Cabbage, egg plants, peppers, tomatoes and sweet potato plants and all other bedding plants at reduced prices. C. Ponnet & Co., greenhouses, 2012 Duke street. Phone 134. Store, 521 King street. 130-2t

The Germans Have Found

substitutes for many foods, in fact they say that when the war ends, the Germans will have trouble in eating real food because they are now so accustomed to substitutes.

But, with all their "science," they have found no substitute for milk.

That's one thing no man can do.

On the other hand, you can substitute milk for many foods, often with great advantage to yourself.

Milk is the only original "baby food" and no man-made compound can be substituted for it,—all baby food advertising to the contrary notwithstanding.

You can substitute clean milk for dirty milk: Holstein milk for "rich" milk; and the baby will show the improvement.

Perhaps, if you substitute clean Featherstone Holstein milk for the baby's present food the baby will be healthier and happier.

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FOR RENT—Furnished house, seven rooms and bath; electric lights, hot water. Best suited for rooming house. Apply to M. S. Fairfax, Prince and Royal streets, poolroom.

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First Floor—Lambert & Bro.

Alexandria Cash Grocery Company

Cor. King and Washington St.

This store has just received a shipment of Fruit Jars which will be sold at the lowest prices possible at this time: Pint jars at 80 cents per dozen; quarts at 85 and half-gallon jars at \$1.05. Our advices are to the effect that prices are liable to advance later on.

Pure Lard, lb.....	30c
Compound Lard, lb.....	26c
Twelve pound sack Gold Medal Flour.....	72c
Twelve pound sack waterground Meal.....	65c
Let your order for groceries also include	
some of our Banquet Brand Coffee at	
21 cents pound. The price does not indi-	
cate its good quality.	
No. 3 Standard Tomatoes are selling at	
per can.....	18c
Canned corn and Succotash, per can.....	15c
Orange Marmelade, a jar.....	24c
Armour's Star Hams, lb.....	35c
Fresh creamery butter, lb.....	49c
Nut Margarine, lb.....	28c

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